

Church of the Precious Blood

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Dec 27

5:30p Gerard Duffy

Sunday

8:00a deceased members of our parish family

9:30a the prayers on our Book of Intentions

11:00a World Peace

Friday, Dec 26 until Ash Wednesday

Daily Weekday Masses Suspended

Due to the drop-off in attendance during the Winter months, Daily Masses at Precious Blood are suspended. Beginning on Ash Wednesday, daily Masses resume at 8:30 AM.

Wednesday – Vigil of Mary, Mother of God

7:00p deceased members of our parish family

Thursday – Holy Day of Mary, Mother of God

10:00a World Peace

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY DEC 28, 2025

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Friday Holiday Daily Masses: Jan 2

- The Fridays which are the day after Christmas and the day after New Years are holidays. The offices will be closed. **Daily Mass both Fridays will be at 9 AM at St. Dorothea.**

Weekend of Dec 28

- Tins available for Helping Hearts casseroles

Weekend of Jan 4

- Collection of Helping Hearts casseroles

Sunday, Jan 11

- Three Kings presentation of our combined Rel. Ed. programs, 1p at St. Dorothea

Friday, Jan 16

- Blood Drive at St. Dorothea, 12:30-6:30p

MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

PRECIOUS BLOOD

WEDNESDAY VIGIL, DEC 31 AT 7 PM

THURSDAY, JAN 1 AT 10:00 AM

ST. DOROTHEA

THURSDAY, JAN 1 AT 12:15 PM

CONFESSIONS

St. Dorothea

Tuesday, after the 7:00 PM Mass

Fridays, after the 12:15 PM Mass

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IN EXPOSITION

Tuesdays from 12:00 PM to 6:45 PM
Benediction at 6:45 PM
Mass following at 7 PM
Confession following Mass
All at St. Dorothea Church

DEVOTIONS AFTER MASS AT ST. DOROTHEA

- Miraculous Medal Novena 1st Mondays.
- Praying of the Rosary on Wednesdays.
- Our Mother of Perpetual Help every 1st Wednesday before the rosary.
- Sacred Heart of Jesus novena 1st Fridays

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL LOOKING FOR HELP

The Society is looking for a volunteer interested in learning to manage our charitable assistance software to monitor the help we give to the poor. Other volunteer opportunities are also available, and help is greatly needed in certain areas to keep our organization moving forward. Please call our intake line at 732-939-6225 and leave your name and phone number so we can call to discuss our needs with you. Thank you!

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Offering Dec 7	\$ 6,533
Offering Dec 14	\$ 5,297
Offering Dec 21	\$ 6,459

SCHEDULE OF 2ND/EXTRA COLLECTIONS

- **December** – Christmas Flowers (please put in regular collection)

Regular and Special Donations can be set up to happen electronically. Please click on “Online Giving” at the top menu of our parish’s home page on the Internet.

AID FOR THOSE HARMED

BY FIRE, DISASTERS, AND WAR

To provide aid for those affected by the flooding and damage caused by hurricanes, fires, or other disasters, please give to Catholic

Charities USA: catholiccharitiesusa.org

To aid those affected by natural disasters or war outside of the U.S., please give to Catholic Relief Services: crs.org

ALL GOD’S CHILDREN

Francis Room, 7 PM

Mondays, Jan 12

All God’s Children is part support group, part spiritual faith-sharing group, and part organizational. As a support group, they help anyone in the LGBT+ community, their family and friends, and anyone interested in LGBT+ concerns (called ‘allies’) to feel welcome and loved by God’s family and the Church. The Francis Room is the converted garage behind the Parish House. Enter through screened-in porch.

IN THE NEWS

U.S. Bishops at their yearly meeting have put out a statement on the treatment of immigrants. Read the statement here:

tinyurl.com/USBishopsImmigrants

HELP WANTED: COLLECTION COUNTERS

We are in need of help counting the weekend collections on Sunday mornings. If you’re able to help for about an hour once every few weeks, please contact the parish office.

Women’s Annual Retreat

Weekend of Jan 23, 24 & 25

San Alfonso Retreat House, Long Branch

The Facilitator for the weekend is Father Anthony Michalik C.S.s.R. The topic will be: *“Accepting Our Imperfections & Limitations Without Fear.”* The cost is \$325 for the weekend. Please contact the parish office (32-222-4756 to make a reservation.

Men's Retreat

Weekend of Jan 30-Feb 1

San Alfonso Retreat House, Long Branch

The Facilitator for the weekend is Father Anthony Michalik C.S.s.R. The topic will be *The Prodigal Son*. The cost is \$325 for the weekend. Please contact the parish office 732-222-4756 to make a reservation.

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MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

Those celebrating milestone anniversary dates for their Church marriages, such as a 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60th anniversary can receive a blessing from a priest or deacon. This can be done during a Mass (Sunday or Weekday) or, outside of Mass. It can be done on the anniversary date, or a nearby date. Please call the parish office to arrange.

THE BOOK OF INTENTIONS

The Book of Intentions is for people to write down their prayers and requests and their struggles. As a community, we pray for those intentions at every Mass. Even if you don't write in any of your own intentions, it would be a spiritual gift for yourself and for those who write in their intentions if you would take a moment read those intentions and add those intentions to your own personal prayers.

OCIA JOURNEY GROUP

Are you, or someone you know, contemplating becoming a baptized Catholic, or receiving First Holy Communion and Confirmation? If so, we would like to invite you, or someone you know, to call the parish office, or Steve Bulvanoski's cell at 908-675-0015, to let us know that you would like more information about our Order of Christian Initiation (OCIA) Journey Group.

One of our team members will be happy to share how the OCIA group can join you in examining the gifts that Jesus gives to us, the wisdom of His Word (the Bible), and what it is like to be a member of the community at Precious Blood parish. We look forward to hearing from you.

MASS INTENTIONS

Our "Mass Intention Book" is open for Mass intentions throughout the rest of 2025 and for all of 2026 for intentions for the dearly departed.

AA MEETINGS

Two AA groups meet at Precious Blood's Parish Center. There is a daily one that meets at 7 AM – but, in the Summer, they meet at the beach, unless inclement weather brings them back to inside the Parish Center.

The other group is weekly at 7:30 PM on Sundays.

HELPING HEARTS

CASSEROLES FOR THOSE IN NEED

Collecting on the First Sundays of the Month

Frozen casseroles are collected and distributed to those in need who don't have the means or aren't able to cook for themselves. Trays are available normally the last weekend of the month. And frozen casseroles are then due next weekend on the first Sunday of the month. Instruction sheets

are also available next to the trays. The most important thing to keep in mind is that whatever casserole you make, it must be clearly labeled, with date and type of casserole, and be frozen solid.

NEXT BLOOD DRIVE

Friday, Jan 16, 12:30 – 6:30 PM

Appointments for the next drive at St. Dorothea Meeting Room (school) are now available at: nybc.org/newjerseydrive, sponsor code **71265**, or, search by zip code. And make sure you change the ending date filter.

RETROUVAILLE RETREAT WEEKEND:

REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Weekends Feb 6, Jul 31, and Oct 2, 2026

Family Life Center, Malvern, PA

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Reh'-true-veye). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. For more information, or to register, visit www.MarriageHelpDelVal.org All inquiries are strictly confidential.

CHRISTMAS & THANKSGIVING THANKS

Thank-you all for your generosity in providing Christmas gifts to those in need from the Giving Trees, and food for the Thanksgiving collection.

SUNDAY MASSES OF OUR 'LINKED' PARISHES

PRECIOUS BLOOD	ST. DOROTHEA
Saturday Vigil: 5:30p	Saturday Vigil: 400p
Sundays: 8:00a	Sundays: 8:30a
9:30a	10:00a
11:00a	

SCAN AT PRECIOUS BLOOD

PARISH CENTER

SCAN, is a 501©3 non-profit, serving Ocean and Monmouth Counties. It hosts free and low-cost classes, workshops, and events Monday through Friday from 9a to 3p. Anyone age 55 or older can join SCAN, and annual membership is just \$25. Each semester, SCAN offers more than 40 diverse programs. SCAN hosts 13 **Lunch & Learn** events per year featuring expert speakers, complimentary lunch, and networking. See... scannj.org

LOCAL DAILY MASSES

While the Daily Masses at Precious Blood are suspended Christmas through Ash Wednesday, the following is a list of local Daily Masses. The list is ordered by Mass times. And the third column represents how many miles that church is from Precious Blood. The last column shows which days of the week those Masses take place.

St. James	Red Bank	7	6:30 AM	MTWThF
St. Anthony	Red Bank	7	7:30 AM	MTWThF
St. Michael	Long Branch	4	8:00 AM	MTWThFS
St. James	Red Bank	7	8:15 AM	MTWThFS
St. Jerome	W. Long Branch	5	8:30 AM	W FS
Holy Cross	Rumson	3	9:00 AM	MTWThF
St. Mary	Deal	7	9:00 AM	MTWTh
St. Anselm	Tinton Falls	8	9:00 AM	M W F
St. Leo	Lincroft	10	9:00 AM	MTWThF
Holy Trinity	Long Branch	3	12:10 PM	MTWThF
St. Dorothea	Eatontown	5	12:15 PM	M WThF
St. Michael	Long Branch	4	7:00 PM	Mon .
St. Dorothea	Eatontown	5	7:00 PM	Tue .